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| 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1,3-5,7-9,11-13,15 and 16</u> .  |   |  |
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### **DETAILED ACTION**

1. This communication is in response to Applicant's communications filed on November 6, 2009. Amendments to claims 1, 5, 9, 11-13, 15-16 and cancellation of claims 10 and 14 have been entered. Rejections made in the final office action mailed on May 13, 2009 are withdrawn in view of the amendments. Claims 1, 3-5, 7-9, 11-13, 15 and 16 are pending in this application.

## Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1, 3-5, 7-9, 11-13, 15 and 16 are allowed.

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### Conclusion

- 3. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure are listed on the enclosed PTO-892.
- 4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Narayanswamy Subramanian whose telephone number is (571) 272-6751. The examiner can normally be reached Monday-Thursday from 8:30 AM to 7:00 PM. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Charles R. Kyle can be reached at (571) 272-6746. The fax number for Formal or Official faxes and Draft to the Patent Office is (571) 273-8300.

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/Narayanswamy Subramanian/ Primary Examiner, Art Unit 3695

November 17, 2009